



Water Rate Increase

The Coppell City Council approved an ordinance to increase the water and sewer rates beginning on February 1. Under this ordinance, the water and sewer rates will rise in order to cover the increase in the rates charged by Trinity River Authority (TRA) for wastewater treatment service and Dallas Water Utilities (DWU) for water purchased by Coppell. The increase will also fund \$30 million in capital improvements to the water and sewer system.

A customer with a 5/8-inch meter who uses 10,000 gallons of water will now pay \$6.91 more per month.

The new rate plan provides a different base rate depending on the size of the customer's meter.

For more information, call the Utility Billing department at 972-304-3695 or visit coppelltx.gov.



Severe Weather Awareness Class

February 20 | 6:30-8 pm

Spring and severe weather are right around the corner. Join CBS 11 Meteorologist Jeff Ray at Life Safety Park, 820 S. Coppell Road, for an engaging and en-lightning course on severe weather awareness. Topics covered will include local hazard risk statistics, weather myths and facts, and how you can best prepare yourself and your family for when the weather turns ugly. This class will be interactive, so bring your mobile phone or tablet device.



For more information or to register, visit lifesafetypark.org.



Living with Wild Animals

Most Coppell residents are accustomed to the abundant wildlife that peacefully lives in the area. It is important to remember that wild animals such as raccoons, opossums, coyotes, bobcats, snakes and other wildlife are natural inhabitants of Coppell, and living in harmony with these animals is an important aspect of the natural ecosystem.

Seeing a wild animal is generally not a reason to be alarmed. However, it is always a good idea to take precautions. You can take steps in your yard and home to deter visits from these animals:

- Do not feed wildlife
- Never leave pet food outside
- Restrict use of birdseed
- If possible, eliminate outdoor sources of water
- Trim and clear any shrubbery that provides cover for wildlife and rodents
- Repair dilapidated fencing
- Only put trash out on the morning of trash collection
- Scatter moth balls and ammonia-soaked rags strategically about the yard to help deter wildlife
- Keep cats and small dogs indoors, allowing them outside under supervision and on a leash

Never approach any animal. If you see any animal behaving strangely, or have questions or concerns about wildlife, call Animal Services at 972-304-3515. For after-hours emergencies, call 911.

Primary Election on March 6

On Tuesday, March 6, Coppell residents will have the opportunity to vote in the Primary Election. Early voting by personal appearance will be held at Coppell Town Center, 255 E. Parkway Blvd., from Tuesday, February 20 to Friday, March 2.

Visit coppelltx.gov/election to find out what's on your ballot, view candidate applications, locate polling places and times, find answers to frequently asked questions and more.



Coppell Farmers Market

March 10 and 24 | 8 am-Noon | 768 W. Main Street

The Coppell Farmers Market is open year-round, and the abbreviated winter schedule extends through March. The weekly Farmers Market schedule will resume in April.

Farmers and food producers offer a delightful variety of vegetables and seasonal specialties all winter long. SNAP is accepted.

For more information, visit coppellfarmersmarket.org.

Upcoming Classes at Life Safety Park

Life Safety Park, 820 S. Coppell Road, offers a variety of educational classes all year long.

Water and Swimming Safety Class March 6 | 6-6:45 pm

Refresh your water, swimming and safety knowledge by attending a 45-minute course taught by a certified swim instructor. The course is targeted toward children ages 5-10, but all ages and "water-watchers" are welcome.

Spring Break Safety Classes March 12-16

Life Safety Park is offering FREE safety education programs during Coppell ISD spring break. Classes will cover a variety of safety topics for children in kindergarten through 8th grade.

For more information or to register, visit lifesafetypark.org.

Spring Break Camp Do-It-All

March 12-16 | 7 am-6:30 pm

Ages 6-12. Looking for spring break fun? Sign up for Camp Do-It-All at The CORE, 234 E. Parkway Blvd. We will go on field trips, play games, learn new crafts, visit Kid Country, swim and more! Camp Do-It-All is \$135 for the week or \$45 a day.

For more information or to register, visit coppelltx.gov/core.

March Meetings

Library Board	March 8	7 pm
Planning & Zoning	March 22	6:30 pm
City Council	March 27	7:30 pm



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Construction on Freepoint Parkway

Construction on a 1.2-mile long stretch of Freepoint Parkway from Bethel Road to Interstate 635 is scheduled to begin this spring. The project is expected to take approximately 18 months, and major improvements include replacement of all existing pavement, water and wastewater infrastructure, and the existing bridge over Grapevine Creek to straighten the curve between Airline Drive and Fritz Drive. To minimize traffic impact during construction, the City plans to:

- Maintain two-way traffic
- Build the project in sections
- Allow the contractor to remove the median to help with traffic flow
- Allow the contractor to work at night to increase productivity
- Reduce the speed limit through the curve to improve safety



Stay tuned to coppelltx.gov and the City's social media channels for the latest information on this project.

State of the City



We've come a long way to achieving our continued vision of creating a Community of a Lifetime through sustainable government, business prosperity, growth management, public safety and community engagement. Our citizens have been generous with their time by partnering with the City to accomplish projects that make our community better.

Coppell citizens can take pride in what we've accomplished together for a better future. With each of you, we will build a stronger community and a place to belong.

To look back on our accomplishments and get an sneak peek of upcoming projects, watch the State of the City address at coppelltx.gov.

Spring Break at Hogwarts

March 10-17 | 2-4:30 pm

Join us at the Cozby Library and Community Commons, 177 N. Hertz Road, for Harry Potter movies and popcorn. Each afternoon, the library will play a Harry Potter film, starting with *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* on March 10 and ending with *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part II* on March 17. Some movies are rated PG-13.

For more information and the full movie schedule, visit coppelltx.gov/library.

Cozby Library and Community Commons Calendar

Short Shorts	March 1	7 pm
Sahaja Guided Meditation	March 7, 21 and 28	6:30 pm
Some Assembly Required	March 5	6:30 pm
Lego Club	March 7	3:30 pm
Mars Survival	March 8	7 pm
Page Turners	March 12	7 pm
Fantastic Beasts of Harry Potter	March 14	3 pm
Open Mic Night	March 14	7 pm
Hogwarts at Night	March 15	6 pm
Got Books?	March 19	7 pm
STEAM	March 21	3:30 pm